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Folks, here is a request from CBS This Morning...exact times have not been firmed up with the producer:

**CBS This Morning w/Charlie Rose, Gayle King and Norah O'Donnell GSENM Paleontology Program New Discoveries/General Science on GSENM (Kanab, Utah):** October 31, 2017 CBS producer Chris Spinder requested to visit a "working" dinosaur excavation on Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument and to talk with Monument paleontologist (Dr. Alan Titus) about his work on GSENM and the latest new discoveries. While the report will focus primarily on paleontology, it will also cover some of the other science occurring. Monument science program administrator Dana Backer will talk about the overall science program, to include number of scientists on Monument staff, numbers of science permits issued annually, types of research conducted and new discoveries; as well as partnerships with universities. The media will also provide media with abstracts from the 2006 and 2016 Monument Science Symposiums. The scientific work being conducted on the Monument is the focus of the story. Spinder acknowledged that many in his audience may have questions about the Monument review and its recommendations, but he believes that story has been covered ad nauseam and wants this story to concentrate on the scientific work currently being conducted.

Spinder was told his questions to Monument staff will be limited to work being done on the Monument; any questions about the review, the process, possible outcomes, etc will be directed to DOI. He understood and agreed to those parameters.

Though not firm, the tentative media visit will take place all day Thursday, November 2 at dinosaur excavation site located in the Kaiparowits Plateau region of the Monument; and Friday morning, November 3 in the BLM dinosaur lab in Kanab, Utah.

This visit represents a wonderful opportunity to showcase the great work being done by GSENM & its partners in the

scientific community.

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Respectfully,  
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